## Abstract

A long-chain branched alkyl group-containing primary carbonyl compound which excels in low temperature fluidity and biodegradability and possesses a high boiling point, and a synthetic lubricant are provided.

The carbonyl compound represented by the following formula [1] excels in low temperature fluidity and biodegradability and possesses a high boiling point,

$$CH_3(CH_2)_{n+2}CH_2$$
 $CHCH_2$ 
 $CH_3(CH_2)_nCH_2$ 
 $CHCH_2$ 
 $CH_3(CH_2)_nCH_2$ 
 $CHCH_2$ 
 $CHCH_2$ 

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wherein X is hydrogen, a hydroxy group, an alkoxy group or a group derived from a polyol, and n is 4 to 30. The compound is suitably used in lubricating oils.